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British Numismatic Society.

43, Bedford Square,

London, W.C.

SESSION, 1906.—*Wednesday, July 27.*

Mr. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

The President announced that the King of Norway and the Queen of Denmark had honoured the Society by becoming Royal Members.

Sir Robert Finlay and Messrs. R. Huth and A. M. Lawrence were elected Members.

Mr. Nathan Heywood contributed a monograph on 'The Kingdom and Coins of Burgred, King of Mercia 852—874.' In this, after contrasting the very meagre records of Mercian history of that involved period with the plentiful series of coins which had been preserved to us, he described the latter in detail. Burgred's money disclosed the names of sixty or seventy moneyers, and was of remarkably uniform design and weight, though usually of debased silver. The principal finds of these coins had been in Cornwall in 1744, at Gravesend in 1838, near Croydon in 1862, and during the repairs to Waterloo Bridge in 1882. The last find was especially interesting, as several hundred coins were discovered in the bed of the Thames, close to the foundations of the second pier on the Surrey side. Amongst these were a few pennies of Æthelred and Alfred which were similar in type to those of Burgred, and probably also intended for currency in Mercia. In illustration of the paper the President exhibited nearly a hundred of the coins described, including ten specimens of Æthelred and Alfred.

To facilitate the settlement of a recently debated question the President submitted for examination enlarged photographs of three pennies of Henry I. of the London mint, Hawkins type 262, bearing on the reverse the alleged countermark of an escallop, and all from the same die. A discussion followed, in which, although opposite views were held, the opinion prevailed that the resemblance to an escallop was merely the accident of a die-flaw.

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43, Bedford Square,
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10*th October*, 1906.

SESSION 1906.

At the Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, **17th October,** the following Papers will be read:—

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Cornish Numismatics; by P. Carlyon-Britton, Esq., F.S.A., President.

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The Danish Coinage of Northumbria; by W. J. Andrew, Esq., F.S.A., Secretary.

*** *It is proposed to hold a Scottish Meeting and Exhibition at the above address on St. Andrew's Day, Friday, 30th November,* 1906. *Members willing to assist the movement by contributing papers, or exhibiting coins, medals, tokens, and curios, will kindly communicate with the Hon. Secretary.*

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ANNIVERSARY, ST. ANDREW'S DAY.

SATURDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER..... 1907

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ANNUAL MEETING.

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The Corporation of Winchester, Sir George C. Denton, the Rev. H. A. Soames, and Messrs. J. B. S. MacIlwaine, A. M. Huntington, A. Murdoch, L. Vibert, and R. Sutcliffe were elected to Membership.

The Report of the Council was read, showing a total of 539 Members, including 18 Royal and 20 Honorary Members; and the Treasurer's accounts showed a surplus on the year of 72*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*, increasing the accumulated fund to 461*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

The following officers were elected: President, Mr. Carlyon-Britton; Vice-Presidents, the Marquess of Ailesbury, Sir F. D. Dixon-Hartland, Earl Egerton of Tatton, Lord Grantley, and Messrs. G. R. Askwith and Bernard Roth; Director, Mr. L. A. Lawrence; Treasurer, Mr. R. H. Wood; Librarian, Lieut.-Col. H. W. Morrieson; and Secretaries, Mr. W. J. Andrew and Mr. A. Anscombe.

The evening had been reserved for a Scottish exhibition, including Scottish coins, medals, tokens, and curios.

Miss Helen Farquhar read a paper upon the coinage of Prince James Stuart prepared for his unsuccessful invasions of 1708 and 1715. Of this there were four types known: (1) crown dated 1709, on which he is styled IACOBVS III.; (2) crown, or sixty-shilling piece, of 1716, reading IACOBVS VIII.; (3) guinea, or quarter-dollar, of 1716, reading IACOBVS VIII.; and (4) guinea, or shilling, of 1716, reading IACOBVS TERTIVS. Only the first was represented by an original coin, but the dies for the others had been preserved in the family of their engravers, the Roettiers, and restrikes were made from them. This fact, Miss Farquhar suggested, would account for the very youthful portrait on the obverse of No. 4 in conjunction with a reverse of 1716, for she believed the dies were not a pair, and that the true reverse had not been preserved. In support of this view she called attention to the fact that the die used was really the reverse of No. 3 in an unfinished state.

Mr. G. M. Fraser contributed 'Treasure Trove in the North of Scotland,' in which he reviewed in detail the numerous finds of coins which have been recorded in that district, and particularly in and around Aberdeen. The discovery of several thousand pieces of the time of Mary and Francis where formerly had stood the Grey Friars Monastery in Aberdeen indicated the probability that they were hidden in 1559, when all ecclesiastical property in the city was seized by the Reformers. Two finds of Edwardian pennies and coins of Alexander III. in the same city he identified with the military operations of Edward III., and similarly attributed the great hoard discovered there in 1886. This comprised 12,267 coins, of which nearly 12,000 were English of the reigns of the three Edwards, and was contained in a finely worked bronze vase, not unlike a "gipsy kettle" in design. There seemed every indication that this large hoard was part of the treasure of the English army which invested and burnt Aberdeen in 1336.

Amongst the Scottish exhibits were a series of early pennies by the President, of gold pieces by Mr. Roth and Mr. Beaiman, of regal and Jacobite coins by Mr. S. M. Spink, and of coins and tokens by Mr. Hamer, Mr. Fletcher, and Mr. Taffs; coin weights by Mr. Lawrence, and a collection of Jacobite medals and curios by Mr. Andrew. Miss Farquhar showed the locket and brooch presented by Prince Charles to Flora Macdonald; Mr. Day, the snuff-box given by the Prince to the Marquis de Serran; and Mr. Ogden, a Jacobite Prayer Book in which the king's name had been carefully altered from George to James.

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A Descriptive List of Exhibits

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Leather Currency; by Wm. Charlton, Esq.

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Mr. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

The President announced that the Queen of Norway had honoured the Society by becoming one of its royal members.

He then read a monograph upon 'The Berkeley Mint in Gloucestershire,' in which he was able to adduce evidence from the charters of Henry II., Richard, John, and Edward I., that the right of coining was granted and confirmed to the Fitzhardings of Berkeley from about 1154 to 1230, and to show by inference that this was but the continuance of a privilege enjoyed by the town from at least the time of Edward the Confessor. When he began his researches, only three coins of this mint were believed to exist; but he had been able to compile the following list of early silver pennies: Edward the Confessor, Hawkins No. 220, + EDGAR ON BEORC; another, similar, but reading BERCLE; No. 221, + DRSIIE ON BEOR; No. 227, + EDGAR ON BEORC. William I., Hawkins No. 242, + LIFPINE ON BARCI (for Barck). Henry III., Hawkins No. 287,—AND ON BERI (probably for RAND=RANDVL on Bark). The last coin had previously been attributed to Berwick, but that town was not then an English possession.

Fleet Surgeon A. E. Weightman contributed a comprehensive treatise on the bronze coinage of Queen Victoria, 1860-1901. In this paper the writer disclosed the almost endless varieties of dies which have been used to produce the present result, as represented on our pennies, halfpennies, and farthings of to-day. When the harder bronze metal superseded the copper in 1860, it necessitated a series of experimental dies before one was finally adopted; thus during the first two years there were constant changes of detail. The design then selected remained in use until 1873; but during the following nine years there was again a period of continuous alteration until the present form emerged. In all, apart from the usual date progression, the writer was able to instance the use of nearly a hundred and fifty varieties of dies, most of which he exhibited, many being illustrated on lantern-slides.

Mr. Bernard Roth read a short account of a hoard of at least a hundred English coins found at Brunnen, near Lucerne. Unfortunately, nearly all had found their way to the crucible, but five were examined by him, viz., Edward III., two groats and a half-groat of the annulet coinage and London mint; Richard II., penny of the York mint, and another with lys on the King's breast.

Dr. G. A. Auden exhibited an interesting find of Northumbrian relics of the ninth century, from the Castlegate, York, consisting of stycas of Eanred and Ethelred II., and a small leaden cross ornamented with the impressions of both the obverse and reverse of a styca of Osberht.

Other exhibitions were: Mr. Carlyon-Britton, silver pennies of William I. and Henry III. of the Berkeley mint; Dr. Henry Laver, a forgery of a stater of Cunobeline resembling the coin of Addedomaros, Evans xiv., 5; Mr. Hamer, a specimen of the original Birmingham Workhouse token for sixpence, with a modern imitation for comparison; and Messrs. A. H. Baldwin, Stanley Bousfield, and W. Sharp Ogden, varieties of the bronze coinage of Britain and the colonies.

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23rd November, 1907.

SESSION 1907.

On Saturday, 30*th November*, 1907,

COUNCIL MEETING at 7.0 p.m.

ORDINARY MEETING at 7.30 p.m.

Usual Business.

TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE

ANNIVERSARY MEETING,

At 8 p.m.

Usual Business.

Ballot for the Election of Officers and Council for the ensuing year, 8.15 p.m. to 8.45 p.m.

Ballot as to proposed Alterations of and Additions to the Rules, 8.15 p.m. to 8.45 p.m.

MR. CARLYON-BRITTON

will read selected Extracts from the Second Part of his

NUMISMATIC HISTORY of the REIGNS of WILLIAM I. & II.,

THE HISTORIES of the MINTS,

and will Exhibit his Collection of Coins of the period, comprising: 336 of William I, and 102 of William II.

Exhibitions, particularly of the Norman Period, are invited.

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A. ANSCOMBE, } *Secretaries.*

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ANNUAL MEETING, 1907.—*Saturday, November 30th.*

Mr. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

General C. S. F. Fagan, Dr. S. E. Barrett, and Messrs. G. Brownen, W. J. Butcher, H. B. Earle Fox, E. Francklin, J. M. Henry, A. M. Jarmin, W. E. Miller, G. E. Morewood, F. G. Hilton Price, and E. P. Thompson were elected Members.

The Reports of the Council and Treasurer were read, which respectively disclosed a total of 532 members, including 19 Royal Members, and an accumulated credit balance of 466*l.*

The following officers were elected for the forthcoming year: *President*, Mr. Carlyon-Britton; *Vice-Presidents*, the Marquess of Ailesbury, Earl Egerton of Tatton, Lord Grantley, Sir Frederick D. Dixon-Hartland, and Messrs. G. R. Askwith and Bernard Roth; *Director*, Mr. L. A. Lawrence; *Treasurer*, Mr. Russell H. Wood; *Librarian*, Lieut.-Col. H. W. Morrieson; *Secretaries*, Messrs. W. J. Andrew and Alfred Anscombe; *Council*, Sir Alfred S. Scott-Gatty, the Rev. Dr. Cox, Fleet-Surgeon A. E. Weightman, Major W. J. Freer, and Messrs. A. H. Baldwin, T. Bearman, Stanley Bousfield, L. L. Fletcher, L. Forrer, Shirley Fox, W. H. Fox, Willoughby Gardner, R. A. Inglis, W. Sharp Ogden, and E. Upton.

The President read the second part of his 'Numismatic History of the Reigns of William I. and II.' In this section he treated the moneyers and their mints. The former were represented on the coins preserved to us by 244 names; but as many of these were repeated at various mints, it seemed probable that more than 500 moneyers were in office during the two reigns; whereas the towns at which they coined numbered 70. Kent and Wiltshire headed the list with 6 mints each; Dorset, Gloucester, Suffolk, and Sussex had 4; Devonshire, Hampshire, Northamptonshire, and Somerset had 3; Essex, Lincolnshire, Norfolk, Surrey, and Warwickshire had 2; most other counties had one; but Cumberland, Lancashire, Northumberland, Rutland, and Westmorland had then no mints. These particulars furnished a sidelight on the spread of population and trade over the country in Norman times, and the vicissitudes which then important mint towns (such, for instance, as Bedwin and Rhuddlan) have suffered in later days.

Summarizing the evidence gathered from historical records, the Domesday Survey, and the coins, Mr. Carlyon-Britton deduced (1) that every borough existing in the reign of Æthelstan possessed a mint; (2) that a place on becoming a composite borough prior to the reign of William I. became possessed of a mint; (3) that simple boroughs belonging to the King had a mint or not according to his pleasure; (4) that a composite borough possessing a pre-Conquest mint was, with few exceptions, allowed to continue the operation of the same; (5) that a simple borough created or granted to a subject after the Conquest had no mint unless the same was specifically granted. The writer exhibited his collection of nearly 450 silver pennies of the two reigns.

Amongst other exhibits were 7 coins of the same reigns varied from the published readings, by Lieut.-Col. Morrieson; an aureus of Tiberius found at Colchester, by Mr. Jarmin; a copper coin of Cunobeline, Evans XII. 6, by Mr. West; token of 1817 issued by William Buck, jun., of Morston, Norfolk, by Mr. L. L. Fletcher; and a specimen of the New Zealand Cross (which realized 170*l.* at a recent sale by auction at Messrs. Sotheby's), by Mr. A. H. Baldwin.

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SESSION 1908.—*Wednesday, January* 22nd.

Mr. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

The Public Library of South Australia and Mr. F. W. Brothers were elected to membership.

Fleet-Surgeon A. E. Weightman contributed a comprehensive monograph on 'The Copper Coinage of Queen Anne,' in which the methods of using dies and puncheons, and of preparing blanks, were discussed, and the size and shape of the coins, and the characteristics of their edges, were reviewed. The arguments derived from these considerations were employed as criteria to distinguish between patterns, restrikes, and coins intended for currency. Among the results achieved, it was proved that the farthing numbered 15 by Montagu was only a pattern, and that an extant variation of this piece was the one actually struck for public use. Mr. Weightman had classified all the known varieties of the halfpenny and farthing of Queen Anne, and had compiled lists of them. His paper also included references to historical documents which throw light on the signification of the designs adopted. In a general discussion which followed the reading of the paper, the opinion of the meeting was expressed that the very rare farthing numbered 16 by Montagu, and misjudged by him to be a jetton, was really a pattern.

Major Freer exhibited a valuable collection of medals and orders which formerly belonged to General Sir John Harvey, Governor-General of Nova Scotia, of whose services he read an interesting account.

Other exhibitions were: Mr. W. C. Wells, a penny of Henry I., Andrew type VII., reading on the reverse +ATSTAN : ON : NORPIC (Norwich); and Mr. L. A. Lawrence, a noble of the latest issue of Edward III., struck between 1367 and his death; a noble of Henry IV., having on the obverse the square and stunted lettering characteristic of those very rare groats which portray the king's emaciated condition; a fine specimen of these particular groats; and a silver plaque bearing a portrait in high relief of Charles I.

Presentations to the Society's collections and library were made by Mr. Anscombe Major Freer, the American Numismatic Society, and Messrs. Spink & Son.

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19th February, 1908.

SESSION 1908.

At the Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, **26th February**, the following papers will be read:—

Note on a Trial piece for a pattern by Droz; by Stanley Bousfield, Esq., M.A., M.B.

The Cross as a mint-mark on English Coins; by Shirley Fox, Esq., R.B.A. *Illustrated by drawings on the blackboard.*

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SESSION 1908.—*Wednesday, March* 25th.

Mr. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

Miss Helen Farquhar contributed a comprehensive and interesting treatise, from both the historical and the numismatic points of view, on 'Artistic Portraiture of our Tudor Monarchs on their Coins and Medals.' By means of contemporary descriptions of the personal appearance of the several monarchs, and photographic reproductions of portraits and medals preserved in the national and some well-known private collections, Miss Farquhar demonstrated how close is the relationship between certain portraits of the Tudors painted by the artists of the period and the representations of them on their coins and medals. Miss Farquhar's method was applied with particular success in the case of the coins issued by Henry VIII. in 1526. On these coins the King's head is presented in profile, and he is shown as clean-shaven, which was not his custom. Miss Farquhar gave reasons for thinking that he really had discarded his beard for a short time at about that date. Similarly, she was able to adduce evidence for the belief that the beautiful medal of Elizabeth, 'Medallic Illustrations,' No. 129, was the work of Nicholas Hilliard, the miniaturist, goldsmith, and carver to the Queen.

Exhibits:—By Lieut.-Col. Morrieson, a series of shillings, groats, and half-groats of Henry VII., Henry VIII., and Mary, and silver coins of Elizabeth.

By Mr. Max Rosenheim, a bronze-gilt medal of Queen Mary, by Jacopo Nizolo da Trezzo, having FIDEI DEFENSATRIX added to the regal style; a leaden medal of Mary and Philip, by the same; a bronze gilt medal by Giovanni Cavino, of Padua, struck by command of Pope Julius III. to commemorate the marriage of Philip and Mary, and bearing the words ANGLIA RESURGENS on the reverse; a bronze medal of Henry VIII. of uniface, by a Dutch or German artist; a bronze medal, likewise unifacial, of Sir John Cheke (IOANNES CHECVS), the tutor of Prince Edward, designed by a medalist of Padua, where Cheke lectured in 1555; a miniature on vellum and a cameo in onyx of Elizabeth; and a case of mathematical instruments made by Bartholomew Newsum, the Queen's clockmaker, perhaps for the Queen's own use.

By Mr. S. M. Spink, six testoons of Henry VIII. and Edward VI., two of which were severally counter-marked in Queen Elizabeth's reign with a greyhound and a portcullis, in order that they might serve for 2½*d.* and 4½*d.* respectively; shillings of Edward VI., Philip and Mary, and Elizabeth, one of the latter queen's being milled and of small type; and a pattern shilling and a pattern sixpence of Elizabeth, with a key and a mullet as mint-marks respectively.

British Numismatic Society.

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15th April, 1908.

SESSION 1908.

At the Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, **22nd April**, the following papers will be read:—

1. **A recent French Hoard of Gaulish Staters and "Gold Bullets," with special reference to Evans, Plate B, No. 8 type; by Bernard Roth, Esq., F.S.A., Vice-President.**
2. **Some copper coins issued by the English East India Company and other European Powers in Southern India; and**
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SESSION 1908.—*Wednesday, June* 24th.

Mr. P. W. P. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

Elections: the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; Lieut.-Col. R. W. Shipway; and Messrs. W. E. Hidden, Elliott Smith, A. W. Oke, and A. J. Doyle.

Mr. L. A. Lawrence, Director, read a paper on 'The Short-Cross and Long-Cross Coinages from Henry II. to Henry III.' The learned paper of the late Sir John Evans, entitled 'The Short-Cross Question,' was relied on for the main arguments in reference to the coins bearing the short double cross. The classification was shown to be correct, but it was thought that some subdivision of at any rate Class IV. might simplify matters. The long-cross series of Henry III.'s money was shown to be capable of better arrangement than that given by Hawkins. Mr. Lawrence, on suggestions thrown out by the President and Mr. Fox, was able to show that the earlier group consisted of sceptreless coins, and that these were followed by the sceptred group. Subdivision of each of these classes was made in connexion with the little pellets at times found on each side of the head. The type of coin struck by the moneyer Phelip at London and bearing a sceptre was shown to be a type rather than a peculiarity of an engraver. Coins of London of this type by two moneyers were exhibited, and of Bury St. Edmunds, also by two moneyers. The latest coin of the long-cross series was considered to be one of Durham which markedly resembled the earliest type of the coins of Edward I. The coin beginning the series was also shown and its characteristics noted. It bore no sceptre and had no mint-name, and it compared with the latest class of the short-cross coinage which preceded it. Coins of the short and long-cross periods were exhibited by the lecturer, by Mr. W. C. Wells, and the President.

Major W. Freer exhibited four war medals.

Mr. W. Charlton exhibited (1) a Parnell silver medal, bearing on the obverse a head of C. S. Parnell circumscribed with the legend "Ireland's Army of Independence 1891"; and (2) a silver medal commemorating the late Queen's visit to Ireland in 1900.

Mr. Bernard Roth exhibited a penny of Edward III.; and Dr. Herbert Peck, coins of South Africa and the Channel Islands.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

July 7th, 1908.

DEAR SIR OR MADAM,

As my name appears under the office of President in the accompanying List of Officers recommended by the Council for the year 1909, I think a word of explanation is due from me.

At our next Anniversary Meeting, my friend and colleague, Mr. Carlyon-Britton, will have completed his fifth consecutive year as your President, and therefore, under Chapter VII., Section V., of our Rules, the Council have no alternative but to recommend the name of some other Member for the coming year.

When the Rule was drafted the remarkable success of the Society was scarcely anticipated, for that success has been so closely linked with the personality of our first President that the one has been incident to the other.

I therefore proposed that we should change the Rule rather than the President, but this suggestion Mr. Carlyon-Britton would not for a moment entertain, adding, however, that though the change might lighten his work, it would not lighten his interest in the Society

In consenting to allow my name to be recommended by the Council as his successor, I do so grudgingly, and of a necessity, lest even a temporary change should be detrimental to the Society ; only hoping that, if I am elected, Members will bear with me for the year.

I am,

Faithfully Yours,

W. J. ANDREW.

VOLUME III. OF THE JOURNAL.

This Volume will be in the hands of Members very shortly after receipt of this notice.

When it was approaching completion in the Autumn, Mr. Andrew's long illness commenced, but as he had carried the routine work of its editing up to that point, and expected week by week to be able to resume his duties, it was thought wiser to allow it to await his recovery and meanwhile to proceed with Volume IV. Also arrangements were made for the future which should prevent our volumes being dependent upon the health of any one member.

Unfortunately Mr. Andrew was not able to complete Volume III. until quite recently, but it is now in the binders' hands.

The Council, and especially Mr. Andrew, who feels his responsibility in the matter, much regret the delay and inconvenience caused to Members, but trust they will realize the difficulties of the position.

As Volume IV. will also be issued this Session, Members will then have received their full complement of the Journal to date.

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British Numismatic Society.

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8th July, 1908.

SESSION 1908.

At the Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, **15th July,** the following communications will be presented:—

1. Second Address on the Coinage of Stephen:—The Martlet Type—The Coinage of the Bishops—The Coins erroneously assigned to William, son of Stephen; by W. J. Andrew, Esq., F.S.A.

2. Britain and the Roman Mint; by W. Sharp Ogden, Esq.

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SESSION 1908.—*Wednesday, July* 15th.

Mr. P. W. P. Carlyon-Britton, President, in the Chair.

Mr. W. J. Andrew continued his series of addresses on the coinage of the reign of Stephen. The martlet-type, Hawkins No. 277, was peculiar to the mint of Derby, and he attributed its issue to Robert de Ferrers, Earl of Derby, during the captivity of Stephen in the summer of 1141, when, in consequence of the Empress Matilda being in possession of London, the Earl would be precluded from obtaining official dies, and would be thrown on his own resources for supplies of currency. He would, no doubt, employ the local seal-cutter to sink the dies, and this would explain the unusual character of both workmanship and lettering. Mr. Andrew accepted the reading of the moneyer's name as corrected by Mr. Anscombe and Mr. Carlyon-Britton to WALCHELINUS, instead of WHICHELINUS as previously supposed, and quoted numerous charters to prove his relationship to the Earl and his large benefactions to Darley Abbey. As further evidence that this type was issued by Robert de Ferrers, Mr. Andrew referred to a coin which, with the exception that on the reverse fleurs-de-lis replaced the martlets, was of identical workmanship, lettering, and design, and clearly the work of the same die-sinker. The name of the mint upon it was STV, a contraction of Stutesberia, the old name for Tutbury, nine miles from Derby and the *caput* of the earldom. The Earl's castle was at Tutbury, and as he himself was also called Robert de Stutesberia, being so referred to by Orderic, it was a question for consideration whether the horseman type, Hawkins No. 280, bearing the legend ROBERTUS DE STU, should not be assigned to him rather than to Robert of Gloucester or Robert de Stutville. The variety, Hawkins type VI. of Stephen's first type, on which the cross on the reverse was engrailed and terminated by fleurs, Mr. Andrew assigned to ecclesiastical mints, and instanced examples of Exeter and of Newark, quoting in support a charter from Stephen granting to the then Bishop of Lincoln the privilege of coining at his castle of Newark. Passing on to the series of coins reading WILLELMUS, Hawkins No. 284, hitherto attributed to William the son of Stephen, he illustrated two varieties of the type, on which, fortunately, the name was extended. One of these bore the addition of DE MOI and the other read WILL'.DN.DU.O., and there was, therefore, no difficulty in assigning them to William de Moion, lord of Dunster and Okehampton, subsequently created by Matilda Earl of Somerset and Dorset. William de Moion refused to acknowledge Stephen's title to the crown, and although the latter, in 1139, advanced against him in person, he failed to quell the insurrection, for William's castle of Dunster was impregnable. As, therefore, De Moion held Somerset and Dorset by right of the sword, and, until the coming of the Empress, acknowledged fealty to no one, he would hesitate to pay his troops with Stephen's money, and so preferred to coin in his own name, imitating, with the necessary omission of crown and sceptre, the types of Henry I. which still passed current throughout the country.

Mr. W. Sharp Ogden read a paper on 'The Roman Mint and Early Britain,' in which particular attention was paid to the methods employed by the artificers both in the Roman *officina* and in the provincial ones, and a great deal of light was thrown upon the way of using the minting implements unearthed at Dunston, Polden Hill, and elsewhere.

The following exhibitions were made:—The President: coins issued by Robert de Ferrers and William de Moion. Mr. W. J. Andrew: a small bronze jug with handle terminating in a horse's head, found at Kirklington, near Ripon, containing Roman *æs* of Tetricus and Gallienus; also specimens of the coins. Mr. L. A. Lawrence: a groat and two half-groats of Edward III. The groat belongs to the period from 1351 to 1360, and shows a cross between the pellets in the fourth quarter. The half-groats are of the same period, and bear on the reverse an annulet outside the pellets in the second quarter. Mr. W. C. Wells: a penny of Coenwulf of Mercia by the moneyer Hereberht; on the reverse is a cluster of six pellets within a beaded circle. Mr. E. M. Beloe: a penny of Stephen, Hawkins No. 268, reading on the reverse + HIVN ON RISINGE (Castle Rising).

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14*th October*, 1908.

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